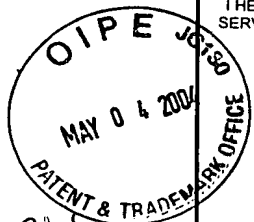


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In response to the Official Action dated March 29, 2004, please amend the above-entitled application as follows: